

here and it wasn't done. So this bill is not going to be amended. You all know that, and it is going to pass. I know that. Dan, you can smile now, you are home free. By the time I concede that, you can take that to the bank. But there are a couple of things I have to say. When I said that if you accept this reconsideration motion, I may be shown as not voting on final passage, and Vard went straight to the rule book. I can read Vard's mind and I knew what he was looking for, and I went over there and showed him, and he said, yeah, that is what he was looking for. He assumed that I was going to move to reconsider, but Vard knew that we had done something about that, that when a bill passes, the only one who can move to reconsider when it is passed is the introducer and to make technical changes. So Vard knew that, and I knew Vard knew that, and I knew what he would think when I said that. That is just to show that I know you all better than you all know me. Now this is for those who voted to reconsider who say they are against the bill. I am not a good pantomimist but this is a silver bowl, and I set it here. This is a pitcher of water. I pour it into the bowl. Now I got this from when I was a child in Sunday School and it was around Eastertime. And I roll up the sleeves, which I don't have, and since this is all fantasy, will you go along with this. Then I put my hands in the water and I wash my hands and I say I have nothing to do with the blood of this just man. That is what I learned in Sunday School. When a man with a certain responsibility did not wish to assume it, he got the bowl, he washed his hands, and said, it is not on me. Those who voted to reconsider, knowing that this bill is going to pass and then we will vote against it, will now say with reference to that reconsideration vote and the passage of the bill, it is not on me, but that is exactly who it is on, and we know it. However, I stated before that if I had a bill on Final Reading, and for some reason I took the vote and there were people not here who would likely have voted for it, I said I would try to reconsider. I don't think anything is wrong with trying to use the rules, but because I believe that doesn't mean I am going to sit idly by and let that be done without arguing against it or using every argument I can to persuade others to go the way I would like to see them go. I gave my arguments. I couldn't win. I couldn't win. They washed their hands, Senator Vard Johnson, they washed their hands. But what was that play from Shakespeare, "Out, out, blank spot, and couldn't wash it out." They can't wash it out, Senator Johnson. How much time do I have, Mr. Speaker?